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Presidential Election, 1888.

For President:
GROVER CLEVELAND,
New York.

For Vice-President:
ALLEN G. THURMAN,
Ohio.

For Congress—1st District
GILMORE S. KENDALL,
Northampton.

The following from the Northern Neck News "hails to the counter" the campaign lie disseminated of late in reference to Mr. Kendall's position on the Blair bill, and if further testimony is needed it will be forthcoming, that Mr. Kendall early in the canvass announced that he favored the measure and has rarely made a speech since, if ever, in which he did not reiterate his views on that question. It our memory serves as aright in his very first speech, at Accomac C. H., in August, he enthusiastically endorsed the Blair bill, at least evidence is not wanting, that in a speech at Warsaw on the following Monday (the first in September), that he stated emphatically his position as favorable to that measure and pledged himself to support it if elected to Congress. Mr. Kendall did not wait, as is alleged by the Republicans, to find out whether it was a popular thing for him to do, but with a candor characteristic of the man, proclaimed his views, according to his convictions of right, as he does on all questions whenever the occasion demands an expression of them.

This campaign therefore would work and others will have to be resorted to, and doubtless will be, to bolster up the waning fortunes of his adversary.

We have seen it stated that Mr. Kendall, the Democratic candidate for Congress in this District, is opposed to the Blair bill. This assertion is a part with a great many of the campaign stories which the Republicans are ever circulating in regard to the Democratic party, its platform and its candidates. Mr. Kendall, to our personal and absolute knowledge, has upon more than one occasion and in more than one public discussion with his Republican opponent, declared most emphatically that he would support and vote for the Blair bill. Nobody who heard Mr. Kendall at this place and at Montross could possibly be in doubt as to what his position is upon the Blair bill, and yet there are friends of Mr. Browne who have not hesitated, for partisan purposes, to allege that the Democratic candidate is opposed to the Blair bill and, therefore, opposed to Federal aid to the cause of public education.

In some instances, we feel sure, this false and utterly groundless charge has been made by those who have been imposed upon by wholly unscrupulous politicians, and we hope now as there is no longer any excuse for even the most ignorant to circulate this political canard, that nothing more will be heard of it. It is quite the fashion for the Republicans, who have no better argument with which to appeal to the voters, to charge the Democratic party with advocating free trade. Of course no sensible Republican believes anything of the kind, but it suits the purpose of the men who hope to profit by this argument, to make the absurd assertion, and the big and little fry politicians of the Republican persuasion all over the country have taken up the cry and they shout just as loud and swear just as hard as if it was the truth which they were preaching. When the leader of a great political party will resort to such means to defeat their opponents it is not surprising that their abject followers will misrepresent an individual as some of them have done Mr. Kendall. Truly our enemies are in a desperate condition! But they need not hope to secure any permanent advantage by misrepresenting their opponents.

Northern Neck News.

Gen. W. T. Sherman, in his old age aspires to be a rival of John Brown in his hatred of the Southern people. In a recent article in the North American Review, he makes an incendiary appeal to the negroes and advises them in certain contingencies to mutiny against the local governments in the South, and with "dagger and torch" to murder the people and lay waste their homes—and that enmity is doubtless shared by the Chandler, Foraker, Harrison and others, leaders of the Republican party. No one of course, believes that any considerable por-

tion of the Northern people endorse their sentiments, but as the leaders and not the people are those through whom harm must come to us, it behooves the Southern people to see as far as it lays in their power that they are not given the opportunity to carry out the evil propensities of their hearts. We must vote in other words, that Republicans shall not secure the offices which would give them the power to do us harm. Republicanism such as the utterances of Sherman discloses, shows that the tariff is not as has been claimed the only issue in the present contest. Republicanism exhibited as it is by Sherman in its true colors shows that it is still as loathsome and contemptible as ever, and as such, can any Southern man hesitate as to his duty? Can he doubt that it is his duty to so strengthen the cause of Democracy by his vote, that it will be a shield powerful enough to protect him against the hate of the Republican party?

THE REPUBLICAN TARIFF FARCE.

The tariff bill that came before the Senate yesterday is simply a fraud and a burlesque. When this campaign opened there was a rumor that Mr. Blaine and Mr. Quay had advised against any tariff bill by the Republicans, or its presentation, at least under circumstances that would have permitted its discussion. And although the rumor was denied as indicative of Republican weakness we now see that it was true.

Why should Mr. Blaine and Mr. Quay wish a reduction of the surplus? The surplus means appropriations, money, pension swindles and infinite forms of treasury depletion. The surplus has given chances to the treasury sharks that will not soon recur. The surplus means sunshine and the time to make hay. To suppose that a grand master in the school of jobbery like Mr. Blaine could dissolve that surplus until he was compelled to do so by a tumult of popular indignation amounting to a revolution is to underrate his courage and audacity.

And why should the tariff be reduced? The monopolists are in power. They take in the money. The Carnegie and other tariff swollen fortunes roll up from hour to hour. Labor goes on its weary, dreadful, grinding road from sunrise without hope to sunset which brings no peace. The monopolists, trust kings, cool barons, iron monarchs—or by whatever name we call these robbers of labor—are all entrenched! Why disturb them?

It is true that the surplus revenues need to be cut down, but this Republican bill cuts down revenue by increasing the taxes on many necessities of life. This is one way—it is the way in which monopolists would be glad to cut down revenue. Is it the way which the people who have to pay the taxes prefer?

To make blankets and the coarser and cheaper woolen goods worn by the mass of the people dearer by higher duties is a way to cut down revenue, but it cuts revenue by forcing the laboring people to pay higher rates for the necessities and comforts of their lives and putting the added exactions into the pockets of monopolists, while keeping them out of the Treasury.

This Republican tariff bill ought to be entitled, "A bill to rob the laboring masses for the profit of monopolists and to facilitate and invite the formation of trusts." It could become a law it would increase the oppression of the present tariff, and would still further impoverish the farmers, mechanics and workmen of the country.—N. Y. Herald.

What Monopoly Tariff Does for Labor

Through reports gathered from over one hundred of the chief manufacturing towns of the country the National Labor Bureau at Washington have ascertained that the average yearly earnings of American workmen have been of late not more than two hundred dollars. Just think of it, we know advocates of war taxes for the benefit of the workingmen. Two hundred dollars a year in this era of boasted protection to the workers of this land is all they can earn.—N. Y. Daily Graphic.

out cutting wages, finds a wider market, and will thus extend his plant and business.

7. It does not mean free trade, but lower duties on the raw materials of manufacture and the necessities of life.

8. It means, in short, that the Democratic party has today, as ever, the interest of the laboring classes nearest to its heart, and is now advocating in the Mills bill a measure that will necessarily increase the welfare and prosperity of the laboring people of this country.

Significant Result in New Jersey's Manufacturing Centre.

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 12.—The charter election held here today shows a Democratic gain on the general ticket of about 700. The Republicans elect eight aldermen and retain control of the council.—The Democrats gain two aldermen and ten school commissioners. For the first time in thirty years the Democrats have carried the city at the charter election previous to the presidential election.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

The Virginia oyster gunboat Chesapeake arrived in port today, and reports a number of captures of small boats for roughing oysters in the James and Rappahannock rivers.

Gen. Jubal A. Early offers a large prize for the lady that "never wore a bustle or a bang," and the prize will be awarded during the progress of the Lynchburg Fair.—Nobody has as yet come forward to claim the prize, but Postmaster H. A. Jordan, of Manchester, says he can produce a lady, 54 years old, who never wore either bangs, bustles, or corsets.—Manchester Leader, 6th.

The New York special in Tuesday's Baltimore Sun says: "At the Republican national headquarters today there was a delegation of anti-Mahone Virginia Republicans to seek the assistance of the Republican National Committee.—At their head was ex-Governor Wm. B. Cameron and General V. D. Groner. They came away sorrowing, as Senator Quay would give them no countenance."

NORFOLK, Oct. 7.—The Chesapeake Dry Dock Company, now building the Simpson dry dock at Newport News, will hold a meeting at Newport News tomorrow for the purpose of increasing their capital stock to one million dollars. With the addition of stock issued it is the intention of the company to build an immense shipyard, where steamships of the largest class will be built. It is understood that a syndicate has been formed to take the additional stock to be issued, and that the money will be forthcoming immediately.

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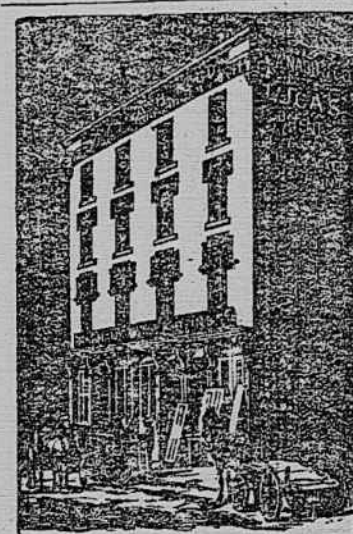
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